

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application based on the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. Applicant thanks the Examiner for correcting the typographical error in the Information Disclosure Statement. The Examiner was correct in assuming that United States Patent No. 5,608,471 is the correct patent number.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 6 through 10 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for a variety of reasons. In the attached amended claim set, claim 1 is canceled, claims 6 through 10 now depend from claim 2, and claims 7, 8, 9 and 10 are amended to overcome the rejection bases. Withdrawal of the Section 112 rejection of the claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 9, 10 and 11 were objected to by the Examiners based on use of the singular when the plural was appropriate. Claims 9, 10 and 11 have been amended to correct this error withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, 5 through 7, 9 through 11 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,980,040 and claims 1, 3, 5 through 7 and 9 through 10 anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 3,794,414. Additionally, the Examiner rejected claims 4, 12, and 14 as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 5,980,040 in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,662,706. Finally, the Examiner found claim 2 allowable if rewritten to overcome the section 112 rejections.

Applicant hereby cancels claim 1 and amends claim 2 to overcome the Section 112 rejections. Additionally, dependency of the remaining claims is amended. Applicant

submits that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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